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Forecast: Partly cloudy. Slight drop in humidity.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max	Today's Max
Jerusalem	65	10-16	19
Golan	45	20-18	18
Nahariya	54	11-19	21
Safed	32	9-18	19
Haifa Port	55	15-19	20
Tiberias	40	12-24	26
Nazareth	53	11-17	20
Afula	49	11-19	21
Shomron	61	11-18	19
Tel Aviv	63	14-20	21
B-G Airport	64	10-21	23
Jericho	66	13-20	20
Gaza	61	15-20	21
Beersheba	61	10-22	24
Eilat	70	18-32	32
Tiran Straits	20	21-31	31

ARRIVALS

Dr. Raymond Sackler, chairman of the board, and George Boda of Austria, board member, for the ninth annual meeting of the board of governors of Tel Aviv University.

DEPARTURES

Mayor Elias Freil, at the head of a delegation from Bethlehem, for Amman, and later for the Gulf states, to raise money for municipal development.

Aluf (res.) Avraham Yoffe, director of the Nature Reserves Authority, to Geneva, to attend a meeting of the International Nature Protection Association (by El Al).

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Princess Strindhorn and Princess Chulabhorn of Thailand yesterday visited Upan Akiva in Netanya, where they were guests at a reception in their honour. They were accompanied by Israel's ambassador to Thailand, Reuven Dafni, and Thailand's ambassador to Israel, Swate Komalabhuti.

Police Minister Shlomo Hillel, together with the Prime Minister's adviser on Arab affairs, Binyamin Gur-Arye, and Northern District Representative, Yisrael Koenig, yesterday were hosts to several hundred Arab leaders at an Independence Day reception in Nazareth.

Nepal's ambassador to Israel, Dr. Trilokya Hath Uprethi, yesterday visited the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Another university visitor was Countess Marie Jose de San, daughter of the late Queen Elisabeth of Belgium.

Hyman Bookbinder, the Washington representative of the American Jewish Committee, will discuss "U.S.-Israel relations under the Carter Administration" at the Hebrew University Forum this evening at the United Synagogue Centre, 2 Rebov Agnon, Jerusalem.



Resolutions dealing with practical ways of getting youth interested in settlement, absorption, volunteering and working for Soviet Jewry were discussed by the 600 delegates who attended the first Zionist Congress for Youth yesterday at Jerusalem's Beit Ha'am. The event, organized by the Zionist Council in Israel to mark Herzl's first Zionist Congress in Basel 80 years ago, was attended by members of youth movements and high school classes, yeshiva students and kibbutzniks. Speakers included Education Minister Aharon Yadin, IDF Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Mordechai Gur and Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek. Here, delegates are seen in heated discussion on the issue of settlement in Samaria. (Simphot)

Allon, on Paris visit, predicts Geneva conference this year

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
PARIS. — Israel Foreign Minister Yigal Allon said yesterday he was confident that a Middle East peace conference would be convened in Geneva this year. He spoke after meeting French Foreign Minister Louis de Guiringaud.

"Like nature, politics produce situations in which the fruit is ripe to be plucked," Allon told a press conference. "Events in the Middle East and elsewhere give us a chance of peace before 1980."

Allon, who later flew home to Israel, came to Paris to launch the French edition of his book "Israel: The Struggle for Peace" after attending the Socialist International in Amsterdam over the weekend.

Allon said he sensed progress by Egyptian President Anwar Sadat in his definition of peace following his Washington meeting with U.S. President Jimmy Carter.

He added: "I am also optimistic because there is now a new U.S. administration with a full term of office ahead of it. There is also some change in the attitude of Western European countries towards the Middle East problem."

"Even French policy is becoming more even-handed," he said.

Commenting on his 80-minute talk with de Guiringaud at the Quai d'Orsay, Allon said: "I came here privately. But I will drop in to see the French minister every time I come to Europe."

Gazit won't leave Paris for London

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent
MORDECHAI Gazit, Israel's ambassador to Paris, will not move to London to take over the vacant embassy there. This was learned most authoritatively by The Jerusalem Post yesterday following a conversation between Gazit and Foreign Minister Allon in Paris.

There had been much newspaper speculation here that Gazit would take over the London embassy (where he served as first secretary in the fifties) following the revoca-

tion last week of Ephraim Evron's appointment to London. Evron, another veteran diplomat, was asked to stay in Israel by Shimon Peres, who apparently hopes to name him to a senior position if he is prime minister after the elections.

Gazit is understood to feel that he has served in Paris for too short a period — 16 months — to contemplate a move at this time. He also takes some of the credit for the recent upturn in Franco-Israeli relations — witness yesterday's friendly Allon-de Guiringaud meeting and the French foreign minister's cordial visit here last month — and is loath to leave Paris at this point.

With Minister Allon's return last night, a decision is expected imminently on who is to fill the London slot. A likely choice, according to some ministry insiders, is the ambassador to Holland and former director-general, Avraham Kidron.

To Mr. Ory Pilovsky
Deepest sympathy on the sad loss of your wife

ADINA
Eugene Wagner
Vice-President, Four Seasons Hotel, London

The Management and Staff of
IREH-Israel Resort Tours
mourn the death of

ADINA PILOVSKY
and express their deepest sympathy to the family.

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The Gali, Kinnereth, Tiberias;
The Sinai, Tel Aviv;
The Rimona Inn, Safed;
The Neptune, Eilat

Our deepest condolences to
Mr. Shmuel (Ogi) Pilovsky
and the Rosenberg Family
on the untimely passing of

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"Tiberias Plaza"
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To the Pilovsky family
and the
Kopel-Rosenberg family,
our deep sympathy on the untimely passing of

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Eilat Branch

To Mr. Shmuel Pilovsky and Family
Our deepest condolences on the passing of

ADINA PILOVSKY

Zim Passenger Line
Frankfurt (West Germany)
Amos Hardin

Cal says El Al is strangling competition

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The CAL air freight company, which was licensed last year to compete with El Al to carry Israel's exports abroad, has complained that the national airline, with the support of the Transport Minister and the head of the Civil Aviation Authority, is trying to strangle it.

The company obtained an order nisi in the High Court of Justice yesterday, calling on the minister, El Al and the head of the Civil Aviation Authority to show cause why CAL should not be permitted to lease a Boeing 747 directly from an American firm without having El Al imposed on the deal as a middleman, and why the company should not be permitted to lease cargo planes directly from firms abroad when El Al is unable to offer similar aircraft at competitive prices.

According to the company, El Al will only lease them Boeing 747s, which they use for the purpose of carrying fruit and other exports abroad, on terms which include aircraft crews and all other ancillary equipment. Such a lease is considerably more expensive than leasing the aircraft alone.

The applicants also claim that when they tried to initiate a direct lease from a foreign company, El Al intervened to become a middleman in the deal. El Al hired the plane "dry" (without ancillary services) from the owners, but would only hire it together with ancillaries to CAL, thus adding to CAL's overhead and deriving a middleman's profit from the deal.

Cairo papers: 21 Libyans executed for alleged plot

CAIRO (Reuters). — Cairo newspapers yesterday named 21 Libyan army officers and a civilian they said were executed by firing squad earlier this month for involvement in an alleged plot to overthrow Libyan leader Colonel Muammar Gaddafi.

The list included one major, five captains, and 15 lieutenants.

The newspapers said the officers were executed on April 2. Nabih Dayroudi, head of the Egyptian Consulate in Benghazi, told a press conference here on Saturday that by April 7 a total of 45 Libyan officers had been executed.

According to the newspapers, 18 officers were sentenced to life imprisonment and 27 received terms of up to 10 years.

Major Omar Meheshli, a member of Libya's disbanded revolutionary council who defected to Cairo last year, and Captain Mohammed Abdel Wahab Karim, were sentenced to death in their absence, the newspapers said.

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Palestinian sought in assassination

LONDON (Reuters). — Scotland Yard last night named a Palestinian it wants to question about the murders here of a former North Yemeni prime minister, his wife, and a colleague on April 10.

Commander Jim Nevill, head of the anti-terrorist squad, told reporters it was looking for Zohair Jousief Akache, formerly an aeronautical engineering student in Britain.

Nevill said police had found some evidence in a hotel room used by Akache, but he gave no details. Akache, he said, was also known as Ahmed Badir and Abdel Hassan, and sometimes wears a small silver ring on the little finger of his left hand. He is 23 years of age, 1.7 metres tall, with an athletic build.

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Our beloved husband and father

ISRAEL LASKOV
has left us.

He bequeathed his body to medical science.

Deeply mourned by

Alexandra, wife
Ruthie, daughter

See how they run
By Asher Wallfish

Defence Minister Shimon Peres, the number one on the Alignment list, revealed in Risbon Lesion yesterday that the government has plans to develop a vast area of two million dunam in the south. It proposes to set up 110 settlements in the future, in the Rafah-Beersheba-Kadesh Barnes triangle. Another major development plan is to dig a canal linking the Mediterranean and the Dead Sea, at a cost of \$200m. over 10 years, Peres said.

Peres's Labour colleague, Shoshana Arbell, the highest woman on the Alignment list (and perhaps a minister-hopeful) launched an attack on the DMC's Shmuel Tamir yesterday. She alleged that Tamir, while an MK, had objected more than once to introducing more drastic income tax collection procedures. "Tamir's excuse was that tax collection is like an assault on the liberty and privacy of the citizen," Arbell alleged.

Haifa Labourites are no longer peeved about the deal they got in the selection of the electoral list, when they received only one safe-place candidate, Moshe Shahal. Haifa Labour men said they had accepted promises from the party leaders for "compensation, to be negotiated after the elections, to redress the imbalance." Vigorous campaigning will now be resumed, they said.

Hillel Gold's Abnath wing of the Likud bloc announced a new member yesterday — journalist Aharon Gefen, who spent most of his adult life in the Labour Party. "I shall remain a social democrat, and my aim is to serve as a catalyst to open the Likud to the values of

working-class Eretz Yisrael," Gefen explained in a specially issued credo.

Shulamit Aloni, the Citizens'Rights Movement chief, has apologized like a lady to NRP head Dr. Yosef Burg personally, for the caricature of him which appeared in a CRM party election ad in "Ma'ariv." "I was unaware of the ad," she said. "It has been withdrawn from other papers. I have reprimanded CRM



Shalom Cohen, head of the Hefesh party, embraces his wife in the Tel Aviv court house before turning himself over to police to serve a 60-day sentence for disturbing the peace. (Jerusalem Post)

Histadrut election propaganda also to be broadcast on radio, TV

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Election propaganda for Knesset lists will begin on TV and radio on April 23; six weeks later, the media will broadcast propaganda for Histadrut elections.

The Broadcasting Authority's board of directors decided on Sunday night to allocate time to parties competing for Histadrut leadership positions, although they are not required by law to do so. The board based its move on the 1978 precedent; in that election, it apportioned time to the parties before the Histadrut vote.

Party advertising for the labour federation's elections will take place between 8 and 8:30 p.m. from June 6 through June 18, and on radio for 10 hours during that period.

Board member Yehoshua Meir opposed the decision "on principle," arguing that the allocation was unnecessary.

Couple turns state's evidence in heroin-smuggling trial

TEL AVIV (Him). — A young couple turned state's evidence at the opening of the Roah Pina heroin-smuggling trial in the District Court here yesterday. They are Tami Wahaba and her husband Moshe, who have confessed to smuggling half a kilogram of heroin into the country from Thailand.

The accused are Menashe Benayahu, 30, of Bat Yam; Marlene Eshkol, 25, of Jaffa; his wife, Iris, 24; and Yosef Wahaba, Moshe's brother.

According to the charge sheet, in February of this year Tami and Moshe Wahaba were given IL28,500 and \$7,800 and travelled to Thailand. There they received half a kilo of heroin bought by the accused and brought it back to Israel. The heroin was hidden in Roah Pina, where it was found by the police.

The accused denied the charges against them.

Yosef Wahaba said he was prepared to plead guilty to complicity in the smuggling operation. But Judge Dov Levin refused to accept the partial admission of guilt, and ordered the trial to proceed with Yosef Wahaba among the accused.

Tami Wahaba testified that she and her husband had met Marlene Eshkol about a year ago. Two months ago Eshkol appeared at the Wahaba's home in the Old City of Roah Pina, together with Yosef Wahaba, and offered them "a trip to the Far East and good money" in return for bringing back "a bit of heroin."

Her brother-in-law, Yosef

spokesman Ben-Zion Shira, who blamed...

The Council for a Beautiful Jerusalem called on party camp managers not to deface the country with election propaganda. The Council's spokesman, Yisrael Koenig, speaking for the movement, said the public who saw campaign writing on walls or sticking posters in unauthorized places at the cost of the police, who are originally cooperating with the movement to keep this campaign as clean as possible.

Livni said the movement brought distributed bandy forms on to enraged, conservation-minded, Israeli citizens could find their complete These may turn out to be different, distinguished from election handbills as they flutter together in the gutter of our towns.

In an urgent letter to Yisrael Koenig, chairman of the movement's Electoral Elections Committee, the Council said that the film "Operation Third Road" taken off cinema screens. He said that leaders of the Alignment appear in the film make it propaganda.

See How They Run is given prize today, to Shoshana Arbell, the Hefesh list, who used to be lots of quotable quotes when boss of the Ashdod Port strike.

Said Peres, who is now proud of the fact that the on our list, Shalom Cohen, is a 60-day prison term today — stealing or embezzling, like a mealy-mouthed moralizer, a new Reporter demonstrating against poverty AIRPORT.

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Knesset election ads, begin... April 23, will be aired on... language TV from 9.30 to 10.30. They are... except Friday evenings, and for the return... on Saturday evenings, additional... Glance."

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The Wahabas flew to... stayed in an expensive... Bangkok, where they were... arrival of other memb... gang. For several days... ed for heroin, travelling... 18 hours by taxi to a... north Thailand, where... usually purchased half a... drug.

The couple flew back... the heroin in a talcum... tainer and a cigar box... When they reached... Airport, police sear... Wahaba; but she had... plastic bag containing... her husband.

At first the couple... the Wahabas... Tami, who... Pina they heard the... been investigating... to Bat Yam to take... his parents' home... back to Roah Pina... later found it.

The trial was adjourn...

The Jerusalem International Book Fair
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April 26 — May 2

- * 40,000 books
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- * 15 languages

The Fair will be open to the public on April (3 p.m.-11 p.m.), April 30 (7.30 p.m.-midnight)
May 1 (10.00 a.m.-11.00 p.m.)
May 2 (10.00 a.m.-6.00 p.m.)

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Lebanese leader tells of alliance with Israel

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — "The people of south Lebanon have entered a fraternal alliance with Israel from which they do not deviate and for which they are ready to pay with their blood," said Rikl, political adviser to commander of the mainly-Lebanese southern Lebanese forces, the press here yesterday. The Lebanese forces control a narrow band along the border with Israel. Rikl came to Tel Aviv directly from his home village of Kila in the south of Lebanon. He is on behalf of the commander, or Sa'ad Haddad, who could not be here, as originally scheduled, because of the leftist and Palestinian pressure in his region. Rikl, however, brought with him a letter, emotional letter from Haddad which he read to the press. "Former enemy, Israel, is today only the last support of the Lebanese people," Haddad wrote. "The bitter is that Israel, constantly, has opened her heart to us. Here should we send our wounded or expectant mothers, our old and young? Would the terrorists treat us? Their 168mm. shells, gas and Grad rockets are a pain for all the suffering and around us."

"Should we send our people to the Syrians, without whose help the assassins would have been unable to attack us? The Syrians fired 240mm. rockets at us and probably stood on distant hilltops, enjoying the sight of smoke billowing from our homes."

"Or should we send our casualties to the north, where there is an army to defend them, and no Red Cross or Red Crescent ambulances and helicopters to 'evacuate' the wounded? Nothing is left us but the Red Star of David," Haddad summed up.

Former Governor-General of the Bank of Israel Moshe Sarbar, who is a member of the Public Committee for Aid to Lebanon, called on the public to contribute funds to the victims of the fighting there. Contributions can be deposited at account number 39125/23 at Bank Leumi in Haifa or at the post office bank account number 4-18652-3.

Deputy Mayor Yitzhak Artzi of Tel Aviv said that 3,000 scouts will leave notices in Tel Aviv homes this Saturday announcing that old clothes and blankets will be collected next Tuesday for southern Lebanese villagers. Jerusalem Deputy Mayor Rabbi L.I. Rabinowitz announced that a similar campaign will be held in the capital on April 25.



MEMORIAL DAY PREPARATIONS — Flags are draped on wrecked shells of armoured cars, remnants of the convoys to Jerusalem during the War of Independence, which line the main road to the capital from Sha'ar Hagai. Memorial Day begins tomorrow night at sundown. (Rahamin Yisraeli)

Memorial Day for fallen soldiers begins this evening

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Citizens will stand at attention and traffic will come to a halt during a two-minute siren at eight o'clock this evening, to mark the onset of Memorial Day.

Jerusalem's central ceremony in memory of the soldiers who gave their lives will take place as the siren is sounded at the Western Wall. It will be attended by President Ephraim Katzir, IDF Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Mordechai Gur, Mayor Teddy Kollek and bereaved families.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin will take part in Haifa's memorial service at the Hadar Ha'azrael memorial garden; Defense Minister Shimon Peres will be present at another in Tel Aviv's Mann Auditorium.

Similar ceremonies will take place around the country.

Places of entertainment close during Memorial Day, and the national colours are lowered to half-staff.

Schoolchildren will hear a Memorial Day message from the Education Minister on radio at 10:05 tomorrow morning. At the same time, the President will attend a memorial assembly at the memorial pillar opposite Binyanei Ha'Ooma in Jerusalem.

Another two-minute siren will sound at 11 a.m., when bereaved families and government and IDF representatives will attend services at military cemeteries and monuments around the country.

Memorial Day will end and Independence Day will begin at a ceremony atop Jerusalem's Mt. Herzl, where 12 beacons will be kindled. The theme of the 29th Independence Day is the 10th anniversary of reunited Jerusalem.

Beacons, choir on Har Herzl

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel's 29th birthday celebrations will begin with the traditional ceremony on Har Herzl at 8:25 Wednesday evening, in the presence of the Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu.

The IDF colours will be transferred from the Northern Command to the Air Force, and 12 beacons will be lit by people involved in Jerusalem's history from the War of Independence. The choir of the army chaplaincy will sing.

On Thursday morning the President will receive 100 outstanding soldiers who will be presented to him at his residence by the chief of staff.

The World Youth Bible Quiz, organized by the Gadna Command, opens at Binyanei Ha'Ooma at 11 a.m. on Thursday.

Police in all parts of the country will be at full strength for the Independence Day celebrations. Tel Aviv district police commander Nitzav Moshe Tiomkin has called on the public to be on the alert for suspicious objects and to take precautions with private possessions. (Him)

Independence Day tennis finals

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv's Hapoel and Maccabi clubs will meet on Thursday in the finals of the Israel Lawn Tennis Association's fifth annual Independence Day Youth Shield, which honours the memory of 28 local tennis players who have died in action since 1948. The meet takes place at the Israel Tennis Centre in Ramat Hasharon, starting at 2:30 p.m.

Hapoel is defending champion in both the boys' and girls' events, having last year beaten the titleholder Maccabi in each final.

A total of 57 clubs from all over the country participated in the Youth Shield, which is the biggest competition organized by ILTA. It started last September, with first-round matches held in nine regions from Upper Galilee to the Negev. Third place in the boys' section went to Carmel Haifa and Rishon LeZion Maccabi, and in the girls' to Tel Aviv ASA.

All the country's top juniors will be in the finals, including national men's squad members Shai Puni and Zohar Ben-Rey (both Hapoel) and Federation Cup girls Hagit Truhari (Maccabi) and Tami Levin (Hapoel).

The families of the fallen tennis players will be guests of honour at the tournament, in which both finals consist of two singles and one doubles match.

Talks fail to end strike of Agriculture Ministry employees

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Negotiations yesterday between Agriculture Ministry scientists and extension service workers, and Knesset and government officials failed, to end the strike which broke out Sunday.

The 1,300 workers, out of 3,200 Ministry employees, are demanding that the government pay them a more realistic car allowance and provide loans to buy new cars.

Yoav Teitel, spokesman for the workers, told The Post that according to their calculations they are

losing 57 agorot on every kilometre they travel in the course of their work. He pointed out that the majority of the scientists and workers use their cars to travel to distant places, sometimes on unpaved roads, and their cars take a terrible beating every day.

He also explained that today, with cars costing over 11,000,000, they find it difficult to buy new cars, and this is why they are demanding that the government give them a loan of 50 per cent of the cost of a new car, to be paid back on easy terms over four years.

Areas chief warns Kahane on meeting West Bank notables

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Rabbi Meir Kahane, head of the Kach movement, which urges annexation of the West Bank to Israel, was summoned yesterday by Ahi Avraham Orly, coordinator of operations in the administered territories, and warned to restrain himself.

On Sunday Kahane and several of his followers tried to force a meeting with Nabilu Mayer Bassam Shaka's, an action Orly felt had caused unrest and near rioting in the town later that afternoon.

Orly warned Kahane not to attempt to meet any more West Bank officials without his permission.

Israeli Arab post to head PLO institute

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Peet Mahmud Darwish, from Deir el-Basid near Acre, has been appointed head of the Palestinian Research Institute in Beirut, reportedly by Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat. In his new post Darwish will also edit the weekly "Palestine Problems."

Darwish left Israel for Eastern Europe five years ago and then went to Cairo. After working in the Egyptian propaganda apparatus, he moved to Beirut and became active in the PLO.

Before leaving Israel, Darwish had his Arab-nationalist poems and articles in publications backed by Rakh.

Bill to obligate parents to report missing children

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Parents of runaway children will be required to report to a welfare officer a child's disappearance after 24 hours, according to a bill proposed by the Welfare Ministry's legal counsel, the spokesman reported yesterday.

The bill, now circulating in government ministries, is an attempt to permit intervention by a social worker at a critical point when a minor may have initial exposure to drugs, crime, venereal disease, procurers and so on. (There is no obligation to report a missing child at present.)

Welfare officers will be permitted to use their search permits or contact the police where necessary, under the proposed bill.

Denmark, Israel sign air accord

Denmark and Israel yesterday signed an air agreement expected to increase commercial flights between them.

The agreement was signed at the start of a four-day visit here by Danish Communications Minister Kjeld Olesen. It formalizes existing air links, consisting of one weekly flight each by El Al and the Scandinavian SAS airlines, but Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi said the flights will be increased to two a week. He also said similar agreements will soon be signed with Sweden and Norway.

Olesen will spend two days at Eilat, which has become popular with Scandinavians.

New MDA station in Kiryat Shmona

Jerusalem Post Reporter

KIRYAT SHMONA. — A Magen David Adom station and service for a population of 50,000 in this town, Upper Galilee and Northern Golan, as well as for southern Lebanese villagers seeking medical help at the "Good Fence" opened here yesterday.

Delegations of friends of Magen David Adom in Britain, South Africa, Germany, Switzerland and Iran attended the opening ceremony for the 113,7m. station. There are eight ambulances, an intensive-care mobile unit and a blood bank. The station will be open 24 hours a day throughout the year.

May Day parades denied in Nazareth

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The commander of the northern district police, Nitzav Mordechai Ron, yesterday rejected applications from the representatives of the Histadrut and Rakah for two separate parades in Nazareth on May Day, saying they were likely to disturb public order.

From the applications it emerged that the representatives of Rakah and the Histadrut intended to hold the parades in almost identical routes at the same time. The Rakah representatives informed the commander of the Rimel district, Nitzav Mishne Amir Perry, that they intend to appeal the decision to the police minister and if necessary to the High Court.

THE ROMANIAN soccer team

Blecher yesterday beat Haifa Hapoel 1-0 at Kiryat Haim. Today the visitors play against Hadera Hapoel in Hadera.

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Only two more underwater blasts in Eilat

By SHEILA MELTZER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

EILAT. — The Institute for Petroleum Research and Geophysics agreed yesterday to complete their research with only two more underwater explosions. Magistrate Court Judge Binyamin Kohen advised Eitan Levy, the Eilat citizen who obtained a court injunction temporarily halting the underwater blasts, that it was "with a heavy heart" that he had agreed to the final two explosions. The judge explained that the institute had received the consent of all concerned authorities, including the Eilat Municipality, for the research.

The institute is participating in a worldwide project to measure the earth's crust and that of the continental shelf. Levy, who is the manager of the Coral World aquarium and underwater observatory on Coral Beach, had obtained the injunction as a private citizen concerned with maintaining the ecological balance of marine life in the Red Sea.

The Jerusalem Post was told by geophysicists in the courtroom that following last Friday's explosion — using a ton of explosive at a depth of 80 to 100 metres, 2 1/2 kms. from Coral Island — only two dead fish were found floating on the water.

Taxi driver jailed for tax evasion

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A taxi driver from Hadera was sentenced to three months in jail, a nine-month suspended sentence and a fine of 150,000 yesterday for failing to report 114,000 in income to the tax authorities.

The driver, Yisrael Kimelman, accumulated the sum during the years 1971 to 1974, according to witnesses called by the state attorney's office. He was also convicted of concealing securities from the tax authorities.

STATE OF ISRAEL
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE — REHABILITATION DEPARTMENT
SECTION FOR PERPETUATING THE MEMORY OF THE FALLEN

REMEMBRANCE DAY FOR THE FALLEN OF THE I.D.F. 5737
2 IYAR — APRIL 20, 1977

Tuesday, April 19 — 1 Iyar
8:00 p.m. — Siren — Start of Remembrance Day
— Chief of Staff's address for Remembrance Day
— Lowering of the flag to halfmast
— The President of the State will light a Memorial Flame at the Western Wall
— Recitals of psalms and kaddish
— El Malai Rahamin (the ceremony will be broadcast live on Israel Broadcasting programmes, Gali, Zehavi, and TV)
— Lighting of Memorial Lights in the home

8:30 p.m. — Local Council Memorial Meetings

Wednesday, April 20 — 2 Iyar
7:00 a.m. — Lighting of Memorial Flame in Military Cemeteries
— Askara prayer in synagogues

7:25 a.m. — Address by representative of bereaved families (Israel Broadcasting programmes)

9:00 a.m. — Askara in schools and educational institutions

10:00 a.m. — The President of the State will inspect a guard of honour of Jerusalem Defenders, at the Memorial facing Binyanei Ha'Ooma.

10:05 a.m. — Remembrance Day address to schools by Minister of Education and Culture (Israel Broadcasting programmes)

11:00 a.m. — Siren for minute's silence
— Askara in military cemeteries (the ceremony at Mt. Herzl will be broadcast live on Israel Broadcasting programmes, Gali, Zehavi, and TV)
— Askara in civilian cemeteries in which I.D.F. soldiers are buried
— Memorial Meetings of Youth and Gadna at I.D.F. memorials

3:00 p.m. — Thanksgiving prayer on Mt. Zion

8:30 p.m. — Har Herzl, termination of Remembrance Day and opening of Independence Day by the Speaker of the Knesset.

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MUCH MORE!

The Gateway Opened to Charter Flights

In Israel's present difficult economic situation, tourism has reached unprecedented heights—800,000 tourists and an income of 230 million dollars in 1976 and a forecast of 900,000 this year with an even bigger dollar income.

The Government has not appreciated the importance of this subject, but the Ministry of Tourism headed by Minister Moshe Kol has acted — and achieved so much.

As a result of direct charter flights from Europe to Eilat, the city is flourishing as never before.

For years Moshe Kol fought for the introduction of charter flights. People began to think it was his private hobby.

Today, everyone agrees that the state lost millions of dollars in past years because of the opposition to charter flights of the Ministry of Transport and El Al.

At long last, the interests of the state have been put before vested interests — an achievement of the Independent Liberal Party.

Plain words — credible people
More about the achievements of the
Independent Liberals
tomorrow

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Rehabilitation Department
Department for the Perpetuation of the Memory of the Fallen

Citizens of Israel

for the fallen of the I.D.F. is the day on which the people of Israel remember their dear ones fallen in the battles of Israel. On Tuesday, April 19, at 8 p.m., the President, Ephraim Katzir, will light a MEMORIAL FLAME AT THE WESTERN WALL. We call on all members of the House of Israel to light memorial candles in their homes at that time, to the sacred memory of all who made the supreme sacrifice for the sake of their people and the state.



A group of survivors of the Vilna ghetto got together in Tel Aviv this week with former Wehrmacht officer Otto Schoenbrunn, centre, who saved a large number of persons from death at the hands of the SS. On one occasion, Schoenbrunn rescued 150 persons earmarked for death by saying that they were skilled workers, needed in the factory that he ran. (Freidlin)

Stop arming Arabs, Hausner urges U.S.

By MALKA RABINOWITZ, Jerusalem Post Correspondent
NEW YORK — Minister Gideon Hausner on Sunday called on the U.S. to stop arming the Arabs. Hausner represented Israel at a ceremony marking the 34th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto revolt, at Temple Emanu-El on Fifth Avenue. Governor Hugh Carey and Mayor Abraham Beame were among the speakers.

Hausner urged an end to American

arms supplies to nations which seek to destroy Israel. "We find it impossible to reconcile ourselves with an American arms relationship with countries that have failed thus far to give up their evil design of destroying the very heart of the Jewish people," he said.

The gathering here was sponsored by the Warsaw Ghetto Resistance Organization, in conjunction with other major Jewish groups.

Carter's devotion to 'promises book' to benefit Israel, says AJC official

By JUDY SUSGEL, Jerusalem Post Reporter
President Jimmy Carter's near-obsession with keeping the promises he made during his campaign will work to Israel's benefit as the U.S. forms and implements its Middle East policy, according to Hyman Bookbinder, the American Jewish Committee's representative in Washington.

"The greatest thing going for Israel is that Carter has an almost religious fervour about keeping promises. He has a 'second Bible' — the 'promises book' — on his desk. He is determined not to violate the statements he made, although his interpretation of them can vary according to the realities of the situation," he explains.

Bookbinder, a veteran observer in Washington who served in the Kennedy and Johnson administrations before joining the AJC, is here to meet with government officials.

But the realities, he adds, are worrisome. A two-page ad was placed in the respected "Wall Street Journal" recently by an engineering corporation that deals with Arab countries. "It argued impressively and convincingly — but not correctly — that the passage of a strong anti-



Hyman Bookbinder

Arab boycott bill by Congress would lead to upheavals in the American economy." Added to that are the energy crisis and the "general American disenchantment with giving generous foreign aid," Bookbinder asserts.

The AJC representative "wonders and worries" from time to time about how Carter's policy will be tuned to Israel's needs. But he is certain that the Jewish community's access to the administration, at its highest levels is "absolutely free, as good or better than it has been in

Washington for 25 years." The 61-year-old Bookbinder maintains liaison with the government, foreign embassies and with representatives of other religious, civic and human relations agencies.

The gracious, casual economist and political scientist has been severely criticized by some of his Jewish colleagues for advocating secular, non-Jewish causes like welfare reform and the women's equal rights amendment, as well as Jewish issues. "I feel that if we spend 20 or 30 or 40 per cent of our time on non-Jewish issues," he maintains, "we will get more allies and respect. And helping to create a society with less friction is perhaps the major Jewish issue in America."

The Rabbin bank account affair and previous embarrassing incidents have made it tough for Israel's supporters. "The saddest thing about it is that it harms one of Israel's strongest assets — being known as a nation of great morals and ideals," he says. "We keep telling the administration that it is in the U.S.'s own interest to be a friend of Israel. But, nevertheless," he continues optimistically, "I'm convinced that Israel, which has overcome this crisis so quickly, will emerge from the scandal with an even better image."

Gandhi's son loses passport as financial deals being probed

NEW DELHI (AP) — The Indian government has impounded the passport of Sanjay Gandhi, the controversial son of former prime minister Indira Gandhi, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said yesterday. The action prevents the 30-year-old Gandhi from leaving the country. He is facing a government investigation into his financial dealings and alleged abuse of influence during his mother's 11 years in office.



Sanjay Gandhi

The government radio network said similar action was taken against Bansi Lal, a close friend of Sanjay who was defence minister in the Gandhi government, and against Yogi Bhaishankar Brahmachari, an Indian guru who once was Mrs. Gandhi's yoga adviser.

Mrs. Gandhi and her ruling Congress Party were swept out of power in parliamentary elections last month. The elections were won by the Peoples (Janata) Party Alliance headed by the present prime minister, Morarji Desai.

The flamboyant Sanjay has been given much of the blame for the Congress Party's stunning defeat. His first major setback in 30 years of Indian independence.

Sanjay had never been elected to office but was prominent in his mother's regime, particularly pushing a much-criticized birth control programme involving sterilization. After losing in his bid for office, he announced he was retiring from politics.

The new government plans to investigate Sanjay's role in setting up a huge auto plant that never started regular production.

The government also said it would investigate the affairs of Lal, the former defence minister, who is charged with arranging the sale of land to the Gandhis at below-market prices.

Vasectomy, abortion fail to stop birth

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The parents of a child conceived despite a vasectomy and born despite an abortion have asked a state court to rule that they may sue two doctors for damages.

Frank and Dorothy Speck decided against having any more children after their first two daughters were born with neurofibromatosis, a rare crippling disease which forms tumors on the nerves.

Their third daughter, Francine, was born with the same disease.

Their original suit against the doctors who performed the vasectomy and the abortion was thrown out by a county judge.

"Each doctor breached his agreement with the Specks, each was negligent and each misrepresented the success of their respective services," argued the couple's attorney in an appeal.

"We are not saying they are bad doctors. We are saying that in this case they made a mistake."

Coffee shop shooting

TEL AVIV — A patron in a Hativva Quarter coffee shop was wounded six times in the leg yesterday at 1 a.m. when someone sprayed the establishment with an Uzi sub-machinegun from a speeding car. Ya'acov Cohen, 28, was immediately taken to Ichilov Hospital. Police are investigating.

EEC to exhibit at book fair

BRUSSELS (JTA) — The Commission will take part in the International Book Fair, which opens in Jerusalem, which opens April 20. The EEC will be represented by the Fair, and EEC officials said in part a general trend to open up the market to Israel.

The EEC will operate a stand at the fair, which will be open to the public. It will also distribute European industrial, economic and cultural information. Over 1,000 —

Kuwaiti officers train on Soviet arms in Egypt

KUWAIT (UPI) — A number of Kuwaiti army officers are undergoing training in Egypt in the use of Soviet weapons, the newspaper "Al-Naba" said yesterday.

The Kuwaiti government has agreed to purchase military hardware from the Soviets.

The presence of Kuwaiti officers in Egypt "affirms the Government's intention not to send any other Kuwaiti personnel to Soviet Union for training," the newspaper said.

AUTO PAY — Ford Motor which tripled its profits last year, tripled the wages of chairman Ford II and president Lee Iacocca. A record \$970,000 each in 1976, in American business.

F-16 production rights

(Continued from page one)
trouble in getting American approval for the purchase of the additional F-16 fighters.

One of the incentives for purchasing more of the highly sophisticated air-superiority fighters would be the granting of substantial co-production rights to the aircraft industries by McDonnell-Douglas, which could return to Israel some 30 per cent of the country's investment if enough planes were bought.

The granting of co-production on the F-16 would be linked to the number of aircraft Israel agreed to purchase up to a maximum of 30 per cent. Israel would be asked to produce specific parts for all F-16s and not just parts for the planes destined for Israel alone, it was learned.

This option is being seriously considered by defence circles here since the acquisition of more F-16s would give Israel an adequate stop-gap solution until a final decision was made either to purchase a fighter from abroad or to make the huge investment necessary to build a third generation fighter in Israel.

One of the major factors influencing this decision is whether Israel would be prepared to produce the entire plane here — including the engine — so as to avoid a repeat of

the Kfir fiasco, where export plane has been stymied by refusal to allow Israel to re-engine.

Israel possesses the technology and manpower to produce a jet engine, experts told the Chip and a recently. "All that is needed is a decision to invest in an industry for its production," the first in post-election Israel.

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'Foreign currency laws turn olim into yordim'

By SARAH HONIG, Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV — Restrictions on their foreign currency holdings abroad turn immigrants either into liars or emigrants and must be repealed, British Olim Society national chairman Emanuel Fischer told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday. This opinion is reported to be widespread among most Western immigrant associations.

According to Fischer, "The whole structure of Israel's impossible fiscal laws should be reviewed. The regulation which obliges an immigrant to transfer all of his holdings abroad to Israel within 10 years of settling in this country prevents many from coming here in the first place and causes others to leave."

The association did not pass a resolution calling for repeal of the restrictions at its annual conference last Sunday for fear that it might be interpreted as an attempt by immigrants to seek more privileges, Fischer stated. But the feeling against the restrictions is strong nevertheless.

Fischer stressed that he was not referring to funds transferred abroad from Israel, "but to money earned by a person while he was residing overseas. It is his money, and he should be entitled to use it freely. The fact that this money remains abroad does not cost the Israel Government anything."

"Demanding that people close all foreign accounts, terminate insurance policies, liquidate financial interests abroad and declare all foreign assets drives people away from this country. These are impossible limitations and causing such restrictions will make people more honest," Fischer maintained.

He complained that "instead of regarding people as basically honest, the authorities here look upon them as basically dishonest, and this in itself repels olim from free countries."

Ernest Siegel, the executive director of the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel, likens the restrictive currency measures to "the old-time prohibition laws in the U.S." Their violation is very widespread and they do not prevent what they are supposed to. They simply do not function in the right way for the country, and the AACI has been actively seeking their change over the last number of years. We have approached the ministers of finance and absorption in the matter and urge that this law — which has proved more harmful than effective — be repealed with all due haste."

As Siegel sees it, "These restrictions do not prevent money from flowing out of Israel, but they do prevent it from coming in. They are detrimental to the immigration of anyone with savings abroad. Human nature being what it is, it places people in a double bind. People who wish to come here strongly enough are forced to find dodges and means to hide their money. It is an unfair law which penalizes people for having earned money abroad, but fails to accomplish its primary objective."

Siegel says these are not his opinions alone, but are "very widespread in the AACI."

Installation of improved closed-circuit television cameras. They also charged that instrumentation at the field was inadequate and said they believed it was only a matter of time before some disaster occurred if the situation was not remedied.

The pilots' report was also criticized by the civil aviation staff at Ben-Gurion Airport, who objected to the "outside interference" by the pilots. The pilots support union separation of the control tower staffers from the rest of the civil aviation staff.

POPULATION — Syria's population reached 8.7 million in 1976, marking a 3.3 per cent growth over 1975. The population of Damascus grew to two million in early 1977 from 610,000 in 1970.

Police solved fewer crimes last year

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The police solved fewer crimes last year, according to statistics in the annual police report for 1976 due to be released this week.

According to the report, the national average for solution of crimes was 32.9 per cent in 1976. In 1975, the police reported a solution rate of 35 per cent.

The decline was found in all parts of the country. In the North, the rate went down from 44.5 to 42.7 per cent, in the Tel Aviv District from 25.3 to 23.2 per cent, and in the southern district from 35.9 to 32.3 per cent.

At the same time, the increase in police files opened was marginal — .04 per cent more than the previous year. A total of 139,552 files were opened as compared to 130,247 in 1975.

There was an increase of 26 per cent in the number of murder cases last year, a total of 85 cases. The police noted that a large number of last year's murders resulted from "settling of accounts" between underworld figures.

Another aspect of last year's crime picture dealt with the entry of heroin into the drug market. There was an increase in the use of this dangerous drug, according to the report.

First wedding in Yamit

Jerusalem Post Reporter
YAMIT — Two American olim became the first couple to be married in Yamit in a ceremony held Sunday night in the new city's schoolhouse.

Gila Batya Soon, a secretary with "Time" magazine in Jerusalem, was married to Bernard Meisels, assistant to the director of finance at Ben-Gurion University.

Rabbi Yisrael Uriel of Yamit officiated.

The couple will reside in Yamit where Mr. Meisels has lived since the founding of the Sinal town.

Tel Aviv's beaches open

TEL AVIV — The city's beaches open for swimming today. Beaches approved for bathing are Givat Alitza, Bograsov, Frishman, Gordon, Hilton, Sheraton, and the beach adjacent to the Country Club.

The beaches will be open from 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. each day.

Tel Aviv Municipality has spent 112.5m. on improving facilities on and around the beaches. New lifesaving equipment, including motor boats, has been acquired.

Haifa beaches are due to open tomorrow.

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Saturday, April 30, 1977

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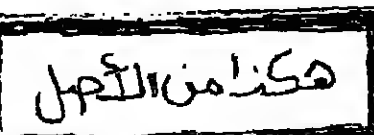
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ily, being probed in Argentina, owns bank in Tel Aviv

Women don't believe financier died in plane crash

YORK (UPI). — The FBI has joined the David Graiver, 35-year-old kingpin in a financial caper, whose alleged dealings in Argentine leftist guerrillas triggered a series of arrests in Argentina last week.

ver, money-maker of an Argentine family tied to the former Peron government, "died" \$17m. in Montonero terrorist extortion through his Banque pour l'Amérique (BAS) in Brussels and the American and Trust Co. in New York, according to reports in Argentina.

ver was in the process of buying ABE near Acapulco, Mexico, on August 7, 1976. BAS in Brussels and the ABE in New York failed during the month of September. The failure, ABE was taken over by Bank Trust Co. of New York, a U.S. subsidiary, Leumi.

GRAIVER's father, Juan, 63, a Polish Jew, an Argentine national since World War II, the Graivers added the Israel-Swiss Bank of Tel Aviv to its holdings.

ours persist that David Graiver is alive. FBI is looking for him. Interpol also is looking for a Graiver hideout. ver's disappearance caused the failure of AS and ABE last September and left a mess in the U.S., Europe and South America to untangle a bizarre scheme: cheque questionable loans, a mare of paper com-

panies in the Graiver empire and the loss of \$50m.

Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau impelled a grand jury to investigate the demise of ABE, which was closed by New York State banking authorities.

A federal grand jury in the Southern District of New York also began sifting through evidence connected with the bank failure, the fourth largest in U.S. history.

In the first official confirmation that the Argentine government was investigating the Graiver affair, the army last Thursday announced the arrest of 15 persons, including Graiver's wife Lidia, his father Juan, and his brother Isidoro.

On Friday the publisher and assistant publisher of "La Opinion," an influential Argentine newspaper, were arrested in connection with the government investigation of the Graiver case, their families said. The Graivers own "up to 50 per cent" of "La Opinion," according to newspaper sources.

Graiver's alleged connection with the Montonero guerrillas, the left wing of the Peronist party outlawed in 1974, surfaced last weekend when another Argentine newspaper, "La Nueva Provincia" of Bahia Blanca, charged the banker had "washed" \$17m. in Montonero ransom and robbery loot in his New York and Brussels banks. The paper also claimed Graiver had used one of his two Argentine banks — Banco Comercial de la Plata — to pay out \$130,000 in monthly interest to the Montoneros.

The Argentine magazine "Somos" reported

Graiver used Montonero to open the Brussels bank in February 1974 and to gain control of ABE in New York. "That is to say, the Graiver group... owes its jump into international financial circles to the cooperation of the Montoneros," it said.

The Graivers left Argentina following an unsuccessful kidnapping attempt against David's younger brother, Isidoro, in May 1976.

Graiver, who served as under-secretary of the Social Welfare Ministry under President Alejandro Lanusse, reportedly was well connected also with key figures in the Juan Peron government. It was rumored that officials in the Peronist government entrusted money to Graiver for investment abroad, and enabled him to establish a foothold in international banking circles by converting pesos into dollars between 1974 and 1976, when Argentina's inflation rate soared above 700 per cent.

Daily Argentine news reports about Graiver's activities have revived speculation that the financier is not dead, but staged the plane accident so that he could drop out of sight before his financial manoeuvres were exposed. A Mexican government investigation concluded that Graiver and two pilots died in the plane crash and attributed the accident to pilot error.

"Somos" reported last week that it had spoken to a Graiver employee, who had overheard a conversation in which a Montonero "bagman" claimed the terrorists had caused the crash. "It wasn't an accident," the employee said, "but he was sure that they had killed him."



A police sergeant in Humberside, England, demonstrates a blow-pipe which is part of the force's new measures against rabies. The pipe, similar to those used by South American Indians, shoots darts holding tranquillising drugs. The officer's clothing includes padded overalls over chain mail, with special gloves, helmet and visor. (AP radiophoto)

Five Pakistanis shot after fare protest

LAHORE (Reuters). — Five supporters of the opposition Pakistan National Alliance were wounded in shooting during an anti-government demonstration at Gujranwala on Sunday, newspapers reported yesterday.

The reports said the shots were fired by members of the ruling Pakistan People's Party.

The political violence stemmed from charges that Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto and his party rigged their victory in national elections last month. More than 170 people have died in the subsequent agitation.

The attack on the PNA supporters at Gujranwala came after 500 of them travelled 87 kilometres from Lahore by train but refused to pay fares.

The PNA has launched a campaign urging people not to buy rail or road transport tickets because the government, "being illegal, should not be paid taxes or fees."

In an effort to rally support, the Prime Minister has banned liquor, gambling and nightclubs and announced the reconstitution of an Islamic ideological council to submit proposals within six months for fully implementing Islamic Shariat law.

A similar ban had been promised during the election campaign by the PNA, several of whose leaders are prominent Muslims.

Barazani asks Carter to assist Kurdish rebels

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — Exiled Kurdish leader Mustafa Barazani has called on President Jimmy Carter to extend humanitarian assistance to the Kurdish people to help them for what he terms their betrayal by the U.S. two years ago.

Barazani said he was encouraged by Carter's firm stand on human rights and said he hoped the new administration would back it up with concrete action.

The general, a veteran of numerous Kurdish campaigns in the mountainous north of Iraq, blamed ex-president Richard Nixon and former secretary of state Henry Kissinger for the failure of the Kurdish attempt to secede from Iraq. He said they had incited the rebellion with a promise of U.S. arms and then cut off all support.

He believed there was more sympathy for the Kurdish people in the U.S. government since Carter took office, citing a recent decision to allow 300 more Kurdish refugees to come to America from Iran.

AID. — West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher will fly to Zakre next month to sign an aid agreement worth 10m. marks (\$4m.), the Foreign Ministry announced in Bonn.

Owen sees better chance for peaceful Rhodesia settlement

— British Foreign Secretary David Owen returned yesterday from an eight-day tour through Africa and said he believes he have moved a few steps towards a peaceful handover to black Rhodesia.

old reporters at London's Heath Airport that he expects "to settle" for a couple of days and then he will size up the situation for a new Rhodesian independence constitutional conference.

He said he hopes to convene his own chairmanship by the end of July.

more hopeful now than began this tour of achieving a settlement," Owen said. "This is a very big one."

returned early yesterday morning saying that took him to Tanzania, Mozambique, Africa, Botswana, Zambia, Angola and Nigeria.

said there are signs that white Rhodesians, "albeit reluctantly," accept that a black rule is inevitable.

I am under no illusion, achievement of any transition to majority rule will be extremely difficult in Rhodesia," he said.

Owen said white Rhodesians had been under pressure to undergo a change of heart, with sanctions having affected the country's economy since Smith's unilateral declaration of independence from Britain in November 1965.

"The recent decision of the U.S. Congress to repeal the Byrd amendment and apply sanctions to Rhodesian chrome has had a big psychological effect," Owen said. "There is also a growing realization among Rhodesians that South Africa does not intend to fight over racial discrimination on the borders of Rhodesia."

Owen chaired a meeting in London of EEC foreign ministers later yesterday, at which he briefed his colleagues on his African tour. The ministers were hoping at the meeting to thrash out joint policies on Africa, the Middle East, Cyprus and the 36-nation conference planned for Belgrade in the autumn, to check progress on détente.

In Salisbury, a special congress of the all-white ruling Rhodesia Front Party greeted Rhodesian Prime Minister Ian Smith with silence yesterday morning as he arrived to seek their support for his public commitment to black majority rule.

The congress is meeting behind closed doors less than 36 hours after

the 58-year-old Rhodesian leader's talks with Owen on the new Anglo-American peace proposals to end the country's four-year-old guerrilla war by paving the way for majority rule next year.

The 800-delegate congress, summoned before Owen arrived on Friday for his three-day visit, is to vote on two resolutions. The first seeks support for the prime minister's goal of majority rule. The second favours suspension of segregationist party policies and principles to allow for negotiations with black nationalists towards a constitutional settlement.

The party is split between supporters of 12 rebel members of parliament, who voted in the legislature against reforms in the country's race laws, and the prime minister's own loyalists.

But Rhodesia Front insiders believe no more than a quarter of the delegates back the rebels, who are not thought likely to cloud the new climate for a constitutional solution that could be promised by the Anglo-American proposals.

Most delegates are expected to support the proposals which call for a revival of the Geneva constitutional conference, followed by elections to usher in majority rule by the end of 1978.

Social Christians win seven more seats in Belgium

BRUSSELS (Reuters). — Premier Leo Tindemans scored a personal victory in Sunday's Belgian election with his Social Christian Party winning an additional seven seats in the lower house of parliament.

But the party is still far short of an absolute majority, and he faces the traditional wrangling over the formation of a coalition government.

Tindemans hailed the success of his party, which is likely to have 79 seats in the 212-member lower house against 72 in the outgoing legislature.

"The voters have shown they have confidence in Mr. Tindemans," he told a television interviewer.

The opposition Socialists, with a probable increase of one seat to 50, were the only other group to better their performance, and the party's co-president, Willy Claes, said the Socialists had done well enough to be considered as coalition partners by Tindemans.

The junior partners in the outgoing coalition with the Social Christians, the right-wing Liberals, fell back in Dutch-speaking Flanders but offset their losses in French-speaking Wallonia and will have an unchanged 23 seats in the new parliament.

There is considerable speculation here that Tindemans will try to form a grand coalition with the Liberals and Socialists.

Carter's son, congressmen visit to China

WASHINGTON (AP). — President Carter's son Chip and a congressional delegation arrived in Peking on Sunday from an eight-day trip to China, the first congressional visit to China since Carter's inauguration.

Chip said he carried a "written personal note" from his father to China's top leader, Hua Kuo-feng. The note was not disclosed, but said he saw himself as a "representative of the president's willingness to improve relations with the Chinese government."

Delegation was headed by

Representative John Brademas and Senator Richard Schweiker. Brademas said the congressmen had a "spirited exchange of views" with Vice-Premier Li Hsien-shen over the subject of continued U.S. support for the Nationalist Chinese government on Taiwan.

While the possibility of a visit to China by Carter was not discussed, Brademas said, invitations were extended for top Chinese officials to visit the U.S.

Neither Chip nor other members of the party actually met with chairman Hua. The president's letter was relayed through an intermediary.

India and Bangladesh agree on Ganges waters

NEW DELHI (AP). — An understanding between India and Bangladesh on sharing of the waters of the Ganges River was announced by the two countries yesterday. The announcement issued both here and in Dhacca, capital of Bangladesh, said, however, that details of the understanding remain to be worked out and that a Bangladesh delegation will come soon to New Delhi to negotiate them.

The sharing of river waters is a major issue between India and Bangladesh. The latest understanding followed three days of meetings in Dhacca with an Indian delegation led by Defence Minister Jagjivan Ram.

While West Germany lacks candour on Dachau Buchenwald exploited as Communist shrine

BUCHENWALD, East Germany. — The bus carrying nicely dressed East German high school students moves slowly down what once was known as "The Street of Blood."

It is the entrance to what once was an unspeakable killing ground — the Buchenwald concentration camp.

The students, many of them carrying flowers, leave the bus and make their way through what remains of the camp, which is now a national memorial.

Some 56,545 people died here between 1937 and 1945, victims of Nazi terror. That horror is duly acknowledged here in museums and monuments.

But most of the flowers are laid under a plaque on the still-standing crematorium where Ernst Thaelmann died.

Thaelmann was the head of the then-outlawed German Communist Party, and the veneration of Thaelmann and many other Communists who were among the inmates here has enabled the present Communist government of East Germany to turn Buchenwald into more than just a reminder of what once happened in Germany.

Indeed, the message that the government tries to get across here is that what was most important about this place in the long run was the organization and resistance of the inmates — led, of course, by Communists.

The inmates: "Pledge of Buchenwald — to do everything possible to uproot fascism, to punish those responsible for it, and to build a new peaceful and humane world —"

By MICHAEL GETTLER, Washington Post News Service

has been honoured in the German Democratic Republic," according to the guidebook.

The political exploitation of what happened here in effect explains why it is compulsory for all East German schoolchildren to visit here.

For foreigners as well as East Germans, the message also seems to be that most of the Nazis — and especially the unpunished ones — were from what has been, since 1945, non-Communist West Germany, which represents about two-thirds of pre-war German territory.

In West Germany, the former prison camp at Dachau (outside Munich) is also maintained as a memorial. Dachau was the first of the camps run by SS commander Heinrich Himmler.

Unlike Buchenwald, however, there is no attempt to make modern, political mileage out of what happened during the Hitler years.

Indeed, as the visitor leaves Dachau's museum, what he sees last is a line from the "Life of Reason" by the American philosopher George Santayana: "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it."

In contrast to Buchenwald, however, Dachau presents a little less than meets the visitor's eye, and in its own way reflects West German attitudes towards the Nazi era.

For example, at Dachau there is no mention of the participation of German industry in the use of slave-labour.

"It is a guilt never acknowledged here and rarely spoken about in our

"history books," says Barbara Distel, the museum director.

Unlike the East, it is not compulsory for West German youngsters, even local ones, to visit Dachau. Some 60-70 per cent of the almost half-million visitors who go there annually are foreigners.

Distel says that now, more German schoolchildren and teachers are coming to Dachau than in the past, but she attributes that to a newer generation of teachers, untouched personally by the Nazi era.

Still, she says, "The general attitude in West Germany really is not to talk about it, to forget about it."

Also unlike the East, the preservation of the camp — where 31,963 inmates died — is not supported by money from the federal government.



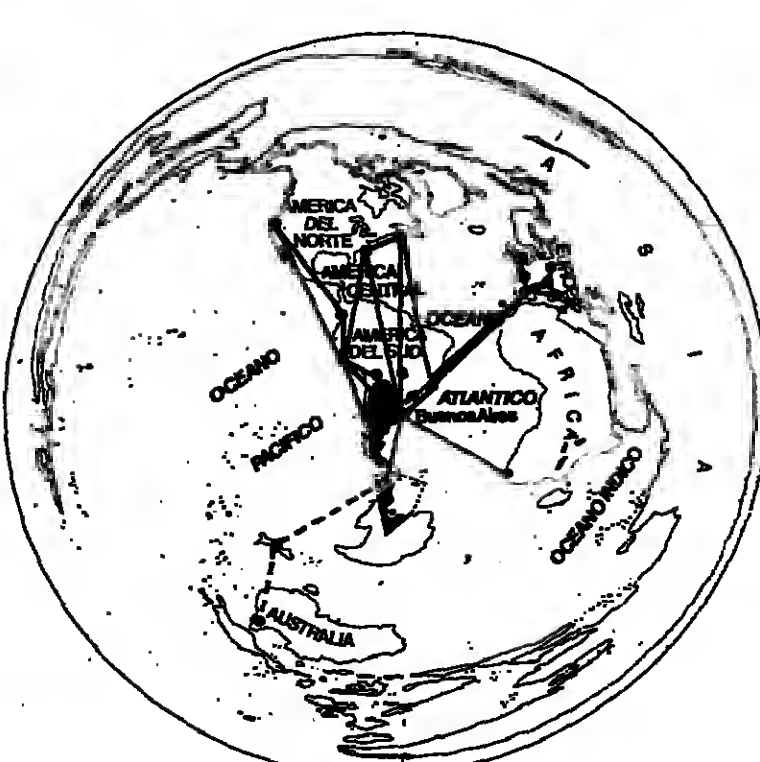
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National Fund is now planting trees around police fortresses at Latrun, the scene of heavy fighting during the War of Independence in 1948, when it was the Arab Legion. Some of the Arab workmen used by the JNF on the afforestation project

say they remember the police station from the days they used it as their headquarters to attack the Israeli forces. Latrun remained in Arab hands until the Six Day War. Parts of the surrounding area are still mined.

(Elizhu Harari)

In the Edge of Destruction

WRITERS AND READERS / Sraya Shapiro

From history? A lovely

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Celia S. Heller calls them

"On the Edge of Destruction"

University Press,

1977). Though seculariza-

acculturation had eroded

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believe, at least a third of

Jews were orthodox and

highly. They were to be

among small business

pey traders. They were

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the "ultras" among them

the New Poland would

be as loyal citizens and

in their daily life. The

the Jewish Jews, the large majority

of the younger Jews were

"fragmented, convulsed, shifting

from one programme to another,"

the author notes. On the extreme

left, Jewish Communists were hard-

ly different from the assimilationists

in their belief that Jewish inequali-

ty would pass with the disap-

pearance of social inequalities.

However, the personal testimony

of a former Communist, quoted by

the author, is significant: "I didn't

want to be a Jew...I did not like

myself as a Jew...Poland regards

me as a Jew, does not want me here,

and treats me like a stranger...I

look around and see that Poland's in-

dependence is not my in-

dependence...because they don't

want me here...I am becoming in-

terested in Zionism."

The Zionists were of a variety of

ideological shades, some clinging to

religious traditions, others adopting

socialist ideals with the explanation

that socialism would never be possi-

ble for Jews unless they went to live

in a normal national life in their own

country, that is, Palestine. But

Zionism was frustrated by the diffi-

culty of getting to Palestine,

because of the restrictions on im-

migration imposed by the British ad-

ministration. Emigration to the U.S.

was also restricted through the

"quota" system. So the emigration to

South America increased notably.

The "Bund" (short for the Yiddish

name of the Union of Jewish

Workers) did not advocate emigra-

tion. Headed by assimilated socialist

to substitute it by Saturday. In its

anti-bourgeois activity, the Bund

was helped, curiously enough, by the

practice of Jewish factory owners to

desine the hiring of Jews — a prac-

tice, Dr. Arye Tartakower noted at

the time, similar to the policy taken

by the government-controlled enter-

prises.

"Ironically," the author remarks,

"the Bund's preoccupation with the

purity of its socialist line not only

alienated many Jews but also

thwarted full cooperation with the

Polish Socialist Party, its natural

political ally." The major

achievements of the Bund were in

the field of culture, Mrs. Heller says.

Through the benefit of historical

hindsight, we now know that the

hopes for the integration of Jews in

Poland failed completely. Largely, it

was through the impact of foreign in-

vasion. Possibly, Jews could have

survived the pogroms led by

nationalist youths had not Hitler in-

troduced the Western technique of

the "final solution."

The Polish Jews shared the fate

that Dutch and French Jews en-

countered when the society in which

they lived was conquered by an out-

side force. But, of course, in the case

of Poland, the inveterate animosity

of the population helped the con-

queror in his anti-Jewish campaign

more than in other countries where

the Nazis ruled. What happened to

the Jews who returned to Poland

from Russia after the war is no less

significant.

But Jews do not seem to learn.

Mrs. Heller, like so many others,

made only a short stay in Israel on

her way to America. It is a curse;

has become second nature in over

two thousand years, this search for

a benevolent ruler — like the asylum

Jewish traders hoped to find in the

Polish Kingdom so many centuries

ago.

THE EYES HAVE IT

THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS / Joanna Yehiel

"WEAR IT in health," they say when you buy a new dress. I feel like saying this whenever I see someone making the move from a lifetime of wearing spectacles to contact lenses.

Putting on their glasses is as much a part of many people's lives as putting on their clothes. Either they've never heard of contacts, or they're afraid of the idea — it's too new, still in this experimental stage, not "necessary," too expensive, or they "don't like the idea of putting something right into their eyes."

They are making a mistake. After wearing glasses from the age of 10, I took the plunge to hard contact lenses when I was about 18, and the difference in life was enormous. I remember that before having to wear spectacles, swimming and netball were my favourite sports. With glasses, both came to an end. You can't wear spectacles in the swimming pool — and try swimming in the right direction without being able to see anything. And, on the netball (or tennis) court, fear of getting the ball right on your glasses puts you right off your game.

And, of course, if you're a girl, there's the added fear of not looking one's best. And, don't believe what mothers have been saying for years; in fact, no one looks better when wearing glasses.

My first bid at contact lenses was a disaster. I spent £100, a vast amount of money, after thinking about it for weeks, and then, suddenly gathering up my courage, walking into the nearest optician on spec. The lenses he made me (and this is quite a few years ago; perhaps this doesn't happen so often nowadays) had me in tears from the moment I gingerly manoeuvred them into my eyes. He kept telling me to "persevere," and, for weeks, I did, to the accompaniment of red, itchy and itchy eyes. Eventually, I gave up and went back to glasses.

THE NEXT thing I knew, my younger sister suddenly appeared without glasses. She'd gone to weeks sitting and refitting her for lenses, and there she was, to all intents and purposes (i.e., to those who didn't know) as well-sighted as the rest of us. I saved up another £100.

and got myself a pair of hard lenses too.

Wearing hard lenses is blissful to people who haven't worn anything but spectacles. First: you can see much better — you aren't enclosed in the straitjacket of spectacle frames — you can, for instance, see sideways without turning your head. Then, you can swim (although not dive) with them, and do most sports without the glare restricting you. Then, gone is the heavy spectacle frame on your nose and ears. And, levelly, you can at last feel the wind and rain about your eyes, after years of being enclosed in a glass cage. From the beauty angle, you can wear what make-up you want (but you can't rub your eyes if mascara gets in them). And suddenly, people can see you, and not just part of your face. All at once, you're not "the girl with glasses."

What are the drawbacks? Lenses take a little more time and care. They have to be kept scrupulously clean. Then, there is the putting in and taking out — a trial while one's learning, but literally taking less than 60 seconds when one's doing it each morning and evening. Then, and everyone knows about this, there's the problem of dropping them (traditionally in the soup, but I've lost lenses between railway tracks, on the bedroom carpet, in a packed suitcase). And, especially in this country, there's a major problem of dust. If a speck of dust or dirt gets under hard lenses, which happens here fairly often, then it can be very painful.

IT WAS the latter which made me switch to soft lenses a year or two ago. I had found myself wearing sunglasses most of the summer months to protect my eyes not from the sun but from the dust. One day, I went to an Israeli optometrist, and asked about soft lenses. He was surprised that I was still wearing hard ones.

Unlike hard lenses, virtually any pair of soft lenses can fit one, although minor alterations have to be made. So he tried on a pair while I was in his clinic — and, lo and behold, they fitted me immediately, without any of the "wearing in" that my hard lenses had demanded. Not

only that, I could feel them much less than my hard lenses. Why had I waited so long?

Soft lenses are, first, expensive. Second, their life is much shorter than hard lenses — the plastic material they are made of is much less durable. And, third, you can break them much more easily. Many opticians are still wary of them; they feel they are still in the experimental stage.

But other opticians are so keen on soft lenses that they virtually make no hard lenses at all any more. And, as the days pass, soft lenses are being fitted on people whom the opticians thought could never wear them — astigmatism and post-cataracts, for instance.

The advantages are many: virtually no discomfort from the first moment. Very little problem with dust — they fit so closely to the eyeball that dust can't get under them. Fatigue is much less — you can blink, rub your eyes, even sleep for half an hour or more (there are some, still in the experimental stage, which can be worn overnight). You can dive, swim, take a shower in them. You can wear make-up much more easily — and put it on while wearing the lenses (day pressure by an eyeshadow stick on the eye while hard lenses were in place but considerably).

If you're thinking about switching to lenses, what will you have to pay? Upwards of £12,000, including eyes test, fitting and a year's insurance (or from £1,250 without insurance), for hard lenses, most of which are made in this country. And they take about two weeks to be prepared.

For soft lenses, you'll pay upwards of about £12,000 including test, fitting and insurance. These usually come from abroad — my optometrist told me that there's no local factory here — from Germany, the U.K., U.S., or Japan. And it takes longer for them to arrive — often some three weeks.

If you're thinking of taking the plunge, then do go to a reputable optometrist or optician. It's a lot of money to waste. You can get names and addresses from the Israel Optometric Association, The Haymarket St., Tel Aviv. Tel. 03-248184.

Germans spending too much on health

By DAVID STONE

BONN. — The West German government, alarmed by the soaring cost of the nation's health services, has decided there are far too many hospitals and that Germans spend too much time in them.

Drastic steps are to be taken to limit expenditure on medicines and drugs which the government says are being distributed far too freely. The government also plans to limit salary increases for doctors, who earn an average of nearly £120,000 a month before tax. Dentists earn even more.

The doctors, up in arms at what they believe is a threat to their living standards and a move towards socialisation, have staged two token strikes. But there is little sympathy for their case among citizens who even as skilled workers earn only a sixth of doctors' pay — and are continually being asked to pay more in health insurance contributions.

These payments are in the form of fixed contributions to the country's 1,600 insurance companies — the "Krankenkassen" which negotiate doctors' and dentists' fees in a system originating from the 19th century. Contributions to the Krankenkassen are now about 11 per cent of a worker's gross income shared 60/50 between him and the employer. Many feel they must make as much use of the health services as possible to get their money's worth.

The effect of this is that each in-patient spends an average of 17.3 days in bed, compared with 12.9 in Britain and 6.8 in the United States. According to Labour Minister Herbert Ehrenberg, some doctors are prescribing the most expensive drugs simply to keep their patients happy, though cheaper ones would be just as effective and often the patient needs none at all.

To persuade doctors to be more cost-conscious, the new government proposals would lay down strict limits to the amount of drugs doctors can prescribe and if they overstep this they would be penalised by a cut in their own payments. (Reuters).

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Challenge for Mr. Peres

AT THE END of the week Mr. Peres will take over the operative responsibilities of the office of Prime Minister, as Mr. Rabin goes on leave. Formally the responsibility for the office will continue to rest with Mr. Rabin, since leave, of itself, does not legally sever the link.

For Mr. Peres this will be an opportunity to make an initial impact in the role of Prime Minister on the country as a whole. That opportunity can be conceived narrowly in purely electoral terms. But it can also, and preferably, be conceived as a chance to restore to the nation a sense that there is in fact a government and government leadership at work.

For during the past few weeks, with the blight of strikes, the Labour Party's concern with its internal elections, and then the focus on the Rabin affair, it has appeared as if the government had gone into hiding.

On the economic front, the Treasury, for so long the fulcrum of events, seems to have abdicated responsibility as the malaise of strikes, inflation, and vacuum in policy grips all.

Meanwhile decisions on issues of major national import like the nuclear power station, acquisition of the F-16 and the future of the Israel Aircraft Industries, remain pending with no visible signs of movement.

Perhaps this sense of semi-paralysis in government leadership does not in fact reflect reality. Nevertheless the feeling exists, and though it is a tall order, given the limitations under which Mr. Peres will take command, one of his principal aims should be to dispel it.

For the Transition Government will not remain in power merely for another month, until elections. It will exercise responsibility until a new government is formed and approved by the Knesset, a process which could take six to eight weeks.

Thus Mr. Peres faces a double challenge: to lead his party to electoral success and to restore confidence in governmental leadership. The two may well be mutually dependent.

The problem of energy

A PESSIMISTIC report released last week by America's Central Intelligence Agency about the world's oil reserves has introduced a new complication to the international energy problem.

It was known that petroleum deposits would start running out by the end of the century. From the CIA's analysis it appears that, despite discoveries in Alaska and the North Sea, shortages may be felt as early as 1985 — and oil prices are going to start soaring again by then. If these predictions are true — and President Carter seems to be treating them as authoritative — every country will need to take a fresh look at its energy plans without delay.

The CIA report gives a higher priority than before to nuclear energy, and strengthens the case for the construction of a nuclear power plant in Israel. The only alternative to this project would seem to be a coal-fired plant, as is currently being built in Hadera. The fact is that no country is building oil-fired stations any longer.

Israel's deadline is by chance that same 1985, when, we are now told, petroleum will be getting scarce. We need by that date a second power station, in addition to Hadera, to supply our growing electricity requirements.

If it is to be atomic, the decision to build must be taken very soon. If it is to be a second coal-fired unit, the start of construction can be postponed to early 1979 at the latest.

But not only oil is going to get scarcer and costlier. Coal reserves are also limited. The question is not how much coal can be acquired in 1985, but how much will still be available on the world market at a reasonable price 20 and 30 years afterwards, when the power station will still be in operation.

For years the Government hesitated before finally deciding that a nuclear power plant had to be set up. Complaints from environmentalists that the public had not been properly consulted on what could vitally affect them, led the Knesset's Interior Committee to order a delay in implementing the decision.

Opponents of the planned plant charge that it would not be proof against "leakages," earthquakes — and enemy attack. Particular objection has been voiced to placing the plant at Nit-zanim, on the heavily populated coast south of Tel Aviv.

The country's nuclear scientists and engineers are ranged, almost to a man, in favour. They cite the excellent safety record of the hundreds of nuclear plants functioning around the world for these past 15 years. They argue that proximity to the sea is imperative for the power plant, and that no alternative sites are currently available. They add that fuel from the plant would be shipped each year to the U.S. for recycling, so that there would be no problem of radioactive waste disposal.

It is to be hoped that a public inquiry can be held as expeditiously as possible after the elections so that apprehensions can be openly dispelled, and work begun on the nuclear plant as soon as possible so that our future energy supplies can be ensured.

Mr. Rabin and the law of the constitution

The crowded events of the past four months, since the original resignation of Prime Minister Rabin, have caused a number of questions to be

asked about the country's constitutional structure, and some flaws in its working to be exposed. Analysis by Professor CLAUDE KLEIN.

1976, Israel's Government has been a transition (or caretaker) government. It resigned a few hours before it was about to be defeated, and there is little doubt that it does not enjoy the confidence of the Knesset. Section 25 of the Basic Law: the Government states that the government will carry out its functions until a new one is established.

The consensus of opinion is that this section allows a caretaker government to function without restriction, as if it were an established government.

I believe this opinion to be wrong — for, unlike an established government, a caretaker administration is bound by resolutions of the Knesset — but there is no doubt that it is dominant. The result is very strange: the Government is in a much better position in its transitional role than it was before it resigned. It cannot be voted out of power, and it is free to act until a new government is formed after the elections.

This situation is really much worse than paradoxical; it is scandalous. One should not forget that, when it is replaced, the present "caretaker Government" will have been in power for more than six months.

since it takes a minimum of four to six weeks after the elections before a new cabinet can be formed.

In order to prevent this situation from occurring again, the Knesset should promptly amend the Basic Law. The solution could be, as for example in France, West Germany, Austria, Belgium, Holland and Italy, that a government which continues in power after its resignation, or after it has been defeated, has only limited powers (which generally are defined as powers to deal with current matters).

THE SECOND QUESTION concerns the ministers of such a caretaker government, who are not entitled to resign from it (again, the reference is to Section 25 of the Basic Law: the Government). This regulation (which is not devoid of political common sense) was given a strict interpretation by the Supreme Court in its decision on the resignation of I.L.P. Ministers Moshe Kol and Gideon Hausner. But the problem of resignation from such a government has risen in a more acute form with the Rabin affair.

Undoubtedly, there is a need to amend this section of the Basic Law. Justice Minister Haim Zadok has

already announced the appointment of a committee of specialists to propose amendments. We should, however, distinguish between two issues which are not necessarily linked together: the resignation of ministers from a caretaker government, and the resignation of the prime minister.

If the powers of the caretaker government are to be limited — as they should be — there would not be such a problem about ministers staying on (even against their will), since they would clearly have only an administrative role to perform.

The problem of the prime minister is more complex; in political and constitutional theory, he symbolises the government as a whole. His resignation is therefore the resignation of the entire government (Section 23). There is indeed no way for a prime minister to resign without bringing about the resignation of all his colleagues in the government. It would seem that these rules, which apply to an established government, must also apply to a caretaker government.

In the light of the attorney-general's opinion, it would seem that Mr. Rabin did the right thing — though after some period of hesitation — in taking leave of absence from his duties.

Based himself on Section 25, Prof. Barak ruled that the prime minister of a caretaker government is legally obligated to continue carrying out his functions. There is no way for him to shrink that responsibility.

But, as Prof. Barak pointed out, Section 19 of the Basic Law: the Government refers to the possibility that a prime minister may be temporarily unable (sick) to carry out his duties. What the Law does not specify is the precise meaning of such "inability" — and on this score Prof. Barak's opinion is not free from ambiguity.

The attorney-general listed two possible interpretations: one based on objective facts, such as illness, which would prevent a prime minister from doing his job; and another based on the prime minister's subjective feeling that he is unable, in a given set of circumstances, to continue in office. Prof. Barak did not indicate which interpretation he preferred.

Were Mr. Rabin to rely on Section 19, he would therefore very likely have brought on litigation before the Supreme Court, which would not have been desirable in the situation.

At the same time the attorney-general also brought up the possibility — not as a matter of strict law, but of common sense — that the prime minister might take temporary leave, and have one of the cabinet ministers fulfil some of his functions — for instance, presiding over cabinet meetings. Prof. Barak made it clear, however, that the prime minister's replacement would not be invested with the prerogatives of premiership.

Even when he is on leave, Mr. Rabin carries the constitutional responsibility that comes with the office of prime minister.

In other words, Mr. Rabin's taking leave is certainly a correct solution — provided the leave is limited in time, and is not viewed as the equivalent of resignation. Mr. Rabin himself announced that he planned the leave to extend until election day, May 17. That is reasonable enough. But he will have to serve as prime minister until a new govern-

ment is formed. For his leave until that time, to my mind, he owes the spirit of the Law and the General's opinion.

A long-lasting solution of dilemma must be sought in amending the Law, which would allow a minister of a caretaker government to resign in some circumstances — for an event of his involvement requiring resignation or offences.

The issue, it may arise in the case government: for minister of an established government — say, accused of having committed an offence — once the prime caretaker government.

THE THIRD QUESTION concerns the attorney-general's opinion on the resignation of ministers and political status.

It should be stressed that the resignation has nothing to do with the personality of Barak. On the other hand, the government said great deal to the effect that the resignation of a minister would be a pattern of our legal system.

For one thing, it is mind that the system Israel has an attorney-general's opinion on the resignation of ministers and political status. Earlier tries have the same thing, but the attorney-general's opinion is not free from ambiguity.

Another issue which is re-examined is that the functions of the prime minister in the general; he is not only the source of the government's policy, but also the government's source of power. In the Rabin case, the attorney-general's opinion is not free from ambiguity.

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ting: the public that the Settlements approved. In does not necessarily mean there two functions which are dragging its possibility.

The position of the attorney-general in Israel is a government qu. The six men who by May Day, office since the establishment of the State proved to be the source of the danger sign. But this is no reason to be formed public, the attorney-general's opinion is not free from ambiguity.

As it happens, the attorney-general has maintained distinct achievements and the democratic system. Arabs to sell the to be proud of, but well implementation guard lest the success of a settle- Pyrrhic victory.

Dr. Klein is a law professor at the University of Tel Aviv.

READERS' LETTERS

THE Kfir DEAL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Comparing America's veto of the Kfir deal to the lowly tactics of Medieval Europe towards the Jews is, with due deference to Rabbi Gold- man in his letter to The Jerusalem Post (April 1), slender that amaks of ingratitude to Israel's longtime benefactor.

Washington's act was, to all indication, dictated by the legitimate concern of the U.S. over an arms build-up in the Southern Hemisphere. One can but cite a parallel in Israel's numerous protests against American arms sales to the Arab countries, based on our desire to maintain a military balance in the area, and notwithstanding Washington's reasoning that Israel herself would be better off if Uncle Sam (rather than Uncle Ivan) reined a foothold in the Middle East.

Despite occasional differences, our relations with other countries ought not to be tarnished by a perpetual persecution complex.

SAMMY SOMMER

Ramat Gan.

ENGLISH BOOKS NEEDED

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Maale Hagilboa is a young kibbutz currently absorbing a large American garb. This settlement is isolated on top of the Gilboa. Whereas their Hebrew library is sizeable and well run, the English section is still in its infancy and the funds available are very limited.

We have been trying to make settling here a little easier for these young idealistic Americans by collecting books among our friends. If there are any readers who want to help and who have used English books or pocketbooks in good condition and are willing to contribute them, please call 02-524547 in the evening and we will arrange to pick them up. RIVKA SPANIER

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ANATOLY SHARANSKY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I feel it extremely important to point out that, although there has been much publicity about the arrest of Anatoly Sharansky, there seems to be little concrete action on his behalf. The Sharansky case is a test of great seriousness — and our response must be one of vigorous and continuous protest. It is imperative that readers cable to Sharansky in Lefortovo Prison, 3 Enorgitit-cheskaya St., Moscow; to KGB Chief

Yuri Andropov, KGB, Moscow; and to urge friends and contacts abroad to request the intervention of their governments.

The consequences of the Sharansky arrest are very grave: Brezhnev himself stated on March 21 that dissidents were criminals who would be punished — and the charge of espionage may result in the death sentence.

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